COMPREHENSIVE TEST ONE

DIRECTION: **This test consists of a number of sentences, each of which is completely under lined. Each sentence is followed by four alternative versions. Select the alternative you consider both most correct and most effective according to the requirements of standard written English.**

1. By the time peace and happiness will have come to the planet, many lives will be wasted.

A. By the time peace and happiness come to the planet, many lives will have been wasted.
B. By the time peace and happiness will have come to the planet, many lives will have been wasted.
C. By the time peace and happiness shall have come to the planet, many lives shall be wasted.
D. By the time peace and happiness would have come to the planet, many lives would have been wasted.

2. If they would have found the receipt by mid-April, they would have paid less tax.

A. If they would have found the receipt by mid-April, they had paid less tax.
B. If they would have found the receipt by mid-April, they would have paid fewer tax.
C. If they had found the receipt by mid-April, they would have paid less tax.
D. If they find the receipt by mid-April, they will pay less tax.

3. The libraries with the Corinthian columns that contain almost a million volumes opened last evening.

A. The libraries with the Corinthian columns that contained almost a million volumes opened last evening.
B. The libraries with the Corinthian columns that contains almost a million volumes opened last evening.
C. The libraries with the Corinthian columns and which contain almost a million volumes opened last evening.
D. The libraries which contained almost a million volumes with the Corinthian columns opened last evening.

4. Married women raising young children do not respond to social stresses as much as unmarried women do.

A. Married women raising young children do not respond to social stresses as poorly as unmarried women do.

B. Married women raising young children do not respond to social stresses as poorly as unmarried women.
C. Married women raising young children do not respond to social stresses as much as unmarried women have.
D. Married women raising young children do not respond to social stresses as well as unmarried women do.

5. <u>Breeding and education establishes the rules of behaviour for any person, as does occupation and income</u>.

A. Breeding and education establish the rules of behavior for any person, as does occupation and income.
B. Breeding and education establish the rules of behaviour for any person, and so does occupation and income.
C. Breeding and education establishes the rules of behaviour for any person, so does occupation and income.
D. Breeding and education establishes the rules of behaviour for any person, and so does occupation and income.

6. <u>If I was the President,</u> I would call an immediate halt to the development of all nuclear weapons.

A. If President, I would call an immediate halt to the development of all nuclear weapons.
B. If I was President, I would call an immediate halt to the development of all nuclear weapons.
C. As President, I would call an immediate halt to the development of all nuclear weapons.
D. If I were the President, I would call an immediate halt to the development of all nuclear weapons.

7. <u>The number of adults in the United States who are illiterate is rising, but it is probably only temporary</u>.

A. The number of adults in the United States who are illiterate is rising, but it is only temporary.
B. The number of adults in the United States who are illiterate is rising, but it is temporary only.
C. The number of adults in the United States who are illiterate is rising, but the increase is probably only a temporary one.
D. The number of adults in the United States who are illiterate is rising, although the increase may only be temporarily.

8. <u>According to recent studies, the median income of women is still only equal to two third of men</u>.

A. According to recent studies, the women's median income is still two-third of men only.
B. According to recent studies, the median income of women is still only two-third that of men.
C. According to recent studies, the women's median income is still two-third of only that of men.
D. According to recent studies, the median income of women is still only two-third of a man's.

9. <u>Just like William Shakespeare was the preeminent poet of England, so Robert Frost was the preeminent poet of the United States</u>.

A. Just as William Shakespeare was the preeminent poet of England, so Robert Frost was the preeminent poet of the United States.
B. As William Shakespeare was the preeminent poet of England, Robert Frost was the preeminent poet of the United States.
C. Just as England's preeminent poet was William Shakespeare, Robert Frost was the preeminent poet of the United States.
D. As William Shakespeare was the preeminent poet of England, in the same manner Robert Frost was the preeminent poet of the United States.

10. <u>The winding roads of San Jacinto Hill were less in number than El Captain</u>.

A. The winding roads of San Jacinto Hill were less in number than those of El Captain.
B. The winding roads of San Jacinto Hill were fewer in number than that of El Captain.
C. The winding roads of San Jacinto Hill were fewer in number than those El Captain.
D. The winding roads of San Jacinto Hill were less than El Captain.